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get enough votes, I see hands going up already, once we get a substantial number of senators who are willing to look at that,...

PRESIDENT HEINEMAN: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ... I will not be so troubled when I hear the talk of raising mill levies and increasing the sales tax because we'll be able to hold that off. If we raise the income tax first, then we need a few nickels here and maybe a few pennies there. We can talk about the other things except raising the sales tax. But those of us who don't want to look at an increase in property tax as the main thrust or an increase in the sales tax, we've got to come up with something and I believe that's the income tax because you do not pay it unless you have money with which to pay. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT HEINEMAN: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Further discussion on the bill? Seeing none, the Chair would recognize Senator Wehrbein to close. He waives closing. The question is on the advancement of LB 1090 to E & R Initial. All those in favor please vote aye; those opposed vote nay. Please record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 33 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of LB 1090.

PRESIDENT HEINEMAN: The bill is advanced. Next item.

CLERK: LB 1091, a bill introduced by the Speaker at the request of the Governor. (Read title.) Bill was introduced on January 15, referred to the Appropriations Committee. The bill was advanced to General File. I do have committee amendments, Mr. President. (AM3075, Legislative Journal page 1051.)

PRESIDENT HEINEMAN: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Chair would recognize Senator Wehrbein.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Thank you, Mr. Speaker and members. Some of this is somewhat technical. I mean, these are all very serious transfers: \$2,200,000 from the Nebraska Medicaid